# THE HIGHLIGHTS



#### Western PA District Church of the Brethren

#### April 2020

#### FROM THE DISTRICT MINISTER'S DESK

"Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. 'The time has come,' he said. 'The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!'" - Mark 1:14-15

As I write this, the COVID-19 virus situation is at the forefront of everyone's mind. But nevertheless, we continue in the Season of Lent. Keeping ourselves rooted in the practices of the Church Year can help us maintain the spiritual fortitude we need.

We remember that Lent is that 40-day period preceding Easter when every Christian is called to deepen his relationship with Christ through repentance and a renewed and humble faith. Repenting of our sins is key if we are to deepen our fellowship with Christ. Jesus' call to repentance was among the very first words he preached as he began his ministry. Of what types of sins do we need to repent? Of course the answer to that question is as varied as the number of sins a human being can possibly commit before God.

But in this article I want to focus on 3 sins that I believe plague the hearts of many of us and ones that cause great harm:

1) The Sin of Bitterness: Bitterness is a deeply rooted, sour, hostile attitude toward God or other people. It may have come about through a person's feeling that God, other people, or life in general have not treated them fairly. It is often accompanied by a complaining spirit.

- 2) The Sin of Being Offended: Christian author John Bevere has said that the bait that Satan constantly dangles before Christians is the temptation to become offended by someone or at someone. Satan baits us and then we swallow the bait to take offense at a slight, a hurt, a misunderstanding, an ill word. The result is that we live in a huffy anger, upset that our feelings have been hurt or our rights infringed upon. This huffy anger is often accompanied by a hardening heart.
- 3) The Sin of Quickly Becoming Angry: This sinful behavior is a life pattern of becoming deeply angry at "the drop of a hat." This anger is a hot anger that comes to a boil very quickly without any thoughtful reflection. It is often accompanied by harsh, arrogant or sarcastic words.

Are any of these three sins a part of your life, a part of your heart attitude and behavior? Now is the time to repent of them. Now is the time to bow before the Lord and ask for forgiveness and for the cleansing of your heart and soul. He promises us that if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. This possibility for receiving forgiveness and cleansing is part of the good news that Jesus preached. "Repent and believe the good news!"

Having such sins removed from our souls, we find ourselves able to love the Lord and other people more truly and deeply. A new joy fills our souls. And in this joy we move through Lent, looking forward to the celebration of the good news of Easter. With renewed hearts we will come to Easter and shout with great faith and happiness,

"Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!"

Joy and Peace to you!

#### FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE

The Highlights deadline for the **MAY 2020** issue is

#### **April 10, 2020**

Please send your information to tlehman@brethren.org.

#### **DISTRICT STAFF:**

William Wenger, District Executive
Amy Bowman, Financial Clerk
Tina Lehman, District Secretary
and Highlights Editor

#### **DISTRICT OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

#### Financial Clerk is in

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

#### **CONTACT US:**

115 Spring Road
Hollsopple, PA 15935
814-479-2181
866-279-2181 toll free
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#### **2020 DISTRICT DIRECTORY**

The **2020** District Directory is finished and has been sent out to the church contact list via email. Paper copies have been also sent out via regular mail.

Corrections and additions will be posted on this page in future issues.

If you would like a paper copy, please contact the District Office at 814-479-2181 or email Tina Lehman at tlehman@brethren.org

#### **DIRECTORY CHANGES**

Page 11:

Center Hill COB—Email: centerhillchurcpa@gmail.com, Website: centerhillchurchpa.org

Pages 26 & 35:

Peter Kaltenbaugh, phone number: 814-521-6177

#### **REQUEST FOR DIRECTORIES**

It is very helpful to the District Office staff to have updated information from all the churches we serve. If your congregation has a new directory for 2020, or even a 2019 copy, please send one to the District Office, 115 Spring Road, Hollsopple, 15935 Thank you!

#### **ORDINATION REVIEWS**

Ordained ministers and church leadership in the District should have received 2020 Ordination Review Forms.

Please be sure to complete these forms and return them to the District Office as soon as possible so that we can complete the review process and report to the denomination in Elgin.

If you have any questions, please contact the District Office, 814-479-2181.

#### ACROSS THE DISTRICT

#### **GET WELL SOON**

To **Interim Pastor Chris Heinlein**, his wife and family, as his wife is recovering after an illness.

To **Pastor JoAnn Dermer's** husband Ken, who is recovering from surgery.

#### **SEND A NOTE**

Carole Horner is currently at Bethlen Home in Ligonier, you can send her a message of friendship and encouragement at: https://bethlen.com/e-greeting

## DISTRICT WOMEN'S MINISTRIES CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020

May 18, 2020 meeting @ District Office

**June 20, 2020 Camp Day** 

July 20, 2020 meeting @ District Office

August 15, 2020 Women's Tea @ Meyersdale COB

September 21, 2020 meeting @ District Office

October 8, 2020 Women's Brunch TBA

November 16, 2020 meeting @ District Office

Mark your calendars, more information to follow!

#### WITH SYMPATHY

To **Pastor JoAnn Dermer** and her family as her mother Alice Freas passed away on March 19th.

#### **LEADERSHIP**

#### **Ordained**

John Knoll—Middlecreek

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

#### **Maple Spring Congregation**

Mike Blough Christiane Blough George White Sally White

#### **AVAILABLE SPEAKER**

District Executive Bill Wenger is available to our District congregations to fill the pulpit on Sunday mornings, to meet with Church Boards for discussions about the mission of the congregation, and to provide teaching seminars on overviews of the Old Testament and/or the New Testament.

If your congregation is interested any of these things, please feel welcome to call Bill at the District Office, 814-479-2181. Thank you.

#### ACROSS THE DISTRICT

## EVENTS AT THE PENN RUN CHRISTIAN OUTREACH CENTER

(located directly across the street from the Penn Run Church of the Brethren)

#### **Quilt Retreats**

[Rescheduled for June 2020]
From 8:00 am—8:00 pm
Call the church office at 724-463-0420
for information.

#### **Scrapbook Retreat**

Saturday, April 25, 2020 From 8:00 am—8:00 pm Call the church office at 724-463-0420 for information.

If your church has an AWANA Club program or is interested in starting one,



the **Locust Grove COB** has various new AWANA Club Items for free. Please call 814-539-6826.

They also have an AWANA Mat for sale, \$500.00 or negotiable.



It's not to early to be thinking about baseball!

The **Altoona Curve** will be hosting 2 Faith Nights this summer

June 21, 2020 and August 16, 2020

If your church interested, please visit **www.altoonacurve.com** for more information.

#### RESCHEDULED/CANCELED EVENTS

All of the **Lenten Services in the Johnstown Area** are canceled, including the Fish Fry and service at Camp Harmony.

Pancake Breakfast benefiting the District Disaster Team at Maple Spring COB on March 28, 2020 has been postponed until late April or early May.

The **Rod Horner concert** on March 29, 2020 at the Hostetler COB has been rescheduled for May 3, 2020 at 2:00 pm.

The **District Women's Spring Brunch** on April 16, 2020 is rescheduled for October 8, 2020. The location will be announced.

Camp Harmony will be semi-closed into the beginning of April in an effort to follow the guidelines set up by our Governor and President. We have rescheduled upcoming events for that time period. As of now, the District Spiritual Renewal event on May 9, 2020 is still happening unless there are more guidelines set up by the Governor that cause it to be cancelled. We will be in and out of the office while working from home and will be checking our email regularly. Please try to email instead of calling the Camp Office. We will be checking email more frequently than phone messages. If you need immediate assistance, please call Jen Vickroy, Exec. Director, at 814/233-5751 (c) or 814/798-2918 (h).

## COFFEEHOUSE AT INDIANA COB

First Friday of every month from 6:30 pm—9:00 pm. Open mic. Great music, food, and fellowship. Everyone welcome!



#### SERVING IN THE DISTRICT AND BEYOND

#### **BRETHREN DISASTER MINISTRIES**

## We Need Your Help!

If you are interested in being a part of BDM mission trips, please contact Herb Ewald for more information at 814-539-8530

or <a href="mailto:hjewald@atlanticbb.net">hjewald@atlanticbb.net</a>

#### 2020 Schedule

Day Trips	Week Trips
4/16/2020	<b>5/10—16/2020</b> full Project #2
4/28/2020	<b>7/12—18/2020</b> full Project #1
5/28/2020	9/13—19/2020
6/9/2020	half Project #1 M/At.
8/13/2020	<b>11/8—14/2020</b> full Project #2
10/6/2020	<b>12/13—19/2020</b> full Project #2
10/29/2020	
11/17/2020	
12/3/2020	

Note: Due to the current situation with COVID-19, BDM trips are being postponed and canceled. Please visit

http://www.brethren.org/bdm/
for more information.

When collecting all of the school and health kits, please put them into boxes and **not** bags. This makes it so much easier for shipping.



Thanks from the District Disaster Team

#### EL NINO DE HOGAR SHOE PROJECT FUNDRAISER



Please note, the shoes collected **DO NOT** go directly to the Honduras Orphanage. The shoes go to Funds2orgs, which turns collected shoes into cash. This money is then given to the Orphanage for their needs.

The shoes you collect also serve as a philanthropic bridge to give people a hand-up and work opportunity, rather than just a hand-out. Micro-entrepreneurs set up small businesses.

They sell the shoes you gather in their communities, which creates business and commerce opportunities leading to sustainability.

To participate, simply collect gently worn shoes, boots, slippers, or sandals at your church.

Bring them to the ICA building at 1929 Penn Avenue, Jerome PA, 15937 on Monday, May 18, 2020

We will sort, count, and pack them for the next shipment.

(Anyone unable to deliver shoes on those dates, may still drop shoes off at the district office.)

Questions may be directed to: Marie Camut at 814-266-3010, Brianna Baker, or the District Office.

#### SERVING IN THE DISTRICT AND BEYOND

#### FROM DISTRICT DISASTER MINISTRIES

A thank you goes out to all those loyal donors from this great District who have donated to the BDM Van Fund! Due to these donations the District was able to replace the old District van that had 235.000 miles on the odometer. The van was still running great but the frame was rusting out.

The new van that was purchased with your donations is a 2019 Chevy 3500, 15 Passenger Express Van with 9,950 miles. Since it's so new, and the mile-



age is so low, General Motors has extended all the warranties. The bumper to bumper warranty that was 3/36 went to 4/48, the power train warranty that was 5/50 went to 6/60, and roadside assistance was extended for one year. They also will perform two complete synthetic oil changes.

It is a used vehicle, but due to all the extras that came with the van it is far superior to a brand new van. The district was able to save thousands of dollars on this purchase versus buying new. And if it were bought new we would not have gotten the extended warranties that we now have!

Thanks to the folks at the district office who helped make this purchase a reality. There were many things that had to be done prior to and during the sale to make it a seamless process and it was handled flawlessly.

On behalf of the many volunteers who have ridden many, many miles in the old van, are now looking forward to riding in this beautiful new vehicle to further our ministry, to that we say THANK YOU!

Respectively Submitted, Herb Ewald, Western PA District Volunteer Disaster Coordinator



go to <a href="www.brethren.org">www.brethren.org</a> for the most complete and up to date news from the Church of the Brethren

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE MODERATOR'S FORUM

April 18, 2020 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Annual Conference moderator Paul Mundey will host a Moderator's Forum this spring at the Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies at Elizabethtown (Pa.) College. The focus is "Historical Theme Impacting Today's Church.



The forum will feature leading Brethren historians who will address a variety of historical themes affecting present-day congregations, districts, and national structures. Particular attention will be given to Brethren history and themes relevant to the current reality of Brethren communions, with special emphasis on the Church of the Brethren. Themes to be addressed include accountability, compelling vision, division, forbearance, and nationalism. The forum will conclude with an evening worship service and a message from Dennis Webb, pastor of Naperville (III.) Church of the Brethren. The forum is open to both clergy and laity.

Registration cost, which includes dinner, is \$30. This event also will be available via live stream for a registration fee of \$15. Those attending the entire event may earn 0.6 continuing education units for an additional cost of \$10. The evening worship, beginning with hymn singing at 7:00 pm, is open to the public without cost or registration and will be held in the Gibble Auditorium at Elizabethtown College. The registration deadline is April 9, 2020.

To register or for a brochure go to: tinyurl.com/modforum2020

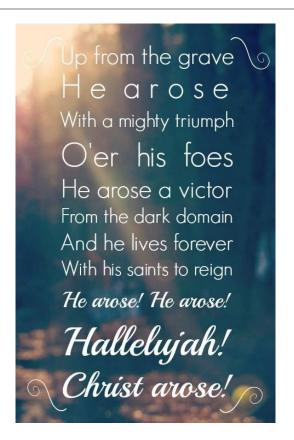


## Annual Conference 2020 July 1–5

Grand Rapids, Michigan DeVos Convention Center

Registration is now open, go to:

http://www.brethren.org/ac/



#### DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

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#### **COVID-19 RESOURCES**

A new webpage with resources for congregations and church leaders during the COVID-19 pandemic has been posted at <a href="www.brethren.org/discipleshipmin/">www.brethren.org/discipleshipmin/</a> resources.html . This webpage, which will be updated on a regular basis, is focused on ministry resources to support congregations and church leaders during a time when congregations may not gather in person.

Brethren Disaster Ministries continues to offer a webpage with guidance for emergency planning by churches and measures for prevention and mitigation of the spread of the virus at <a href="www.brethren.org/bdm/covid-19.html">www.brethren.org/bdm/covid-19.html</a>.

Denominational staff are among those contributing to the new webpage of ministry resources, along with other church leaders. The page currently offers links to webinars, lists of congregations from across the denomination that are offering online worship and other online services, and a box with information about ethical use of music resources when streaming worship online.

A map of congregations offering online worship is posted at the bottom of the new webpage and will be updated as new information comes in. To add a congregation to this map, send the congregation's name, city, state, online worship time, and online link for people to join in worship by email to <a href="mailto:cobnews@brethren.org">cobnews@brethren.org</a>.



May 22-25, 2020 Montreat Conference Center, Montreat, North Carolina

National Young Adult Conference (NYAC) offers people ages 18-35 a chance to enjoy fellowship, worship, recreation, Bible study, service projects and more... with other fantastic young adults!

To register go to: <a href="http://www.brethren.org/yac/">http://www.brethren.org/yac/</a>





In a new venture, Rwanda is the location for a workcamp for ages 18-plus on May 28-June 8. For more dates and locations read more at <a href="https://www.brethren.org/news/2019/workcamp-locations-include-rwanda.html">www.brethren.org/news/2019/workcamp-locations-include-rwanda.html</a>

#### **ORDAINED**

ABRAHAM, FARREL – 4315 Seton Dr, Pittsburgh, 15227-1245 – 412-979-0067 BEACHLEY, RONALD D. - PO Box 723, Davidsville, 15928-0723 - 814-479-4802 BERKEBILE, WES J. – 4285 State Route 208, New Wilmington, 16142 – 724-901-7058 DERR, AMELIA – 1202 Roberts Street, Nanty Glo, 15943-1325 – 814-749-0262 DERR, HORACE - 1202 Roberts Street, Nanty Glo, 15943-1325 - 814-749-0262 GREEN, GARY – 4589 Somerset Pike, Hollsopple, 15935-8217 – 814-915-0227 HOUGHTON, JAMES E. - 124 Lindberg Ave, Johnstown, 15905-3019 -814 243-0534 HOUGHTON, SALLY M. - 124 Lindberg Ave, Johnstown, 15905-3019 -814 243-6448 KABLER, ERIC P. - 126 Clermont St, Johnstown 15904-2132 - 814 266-2734 KENSINGER, JAMES M. - 329 Spackman St, Seward, 15954-3117 - 814 446-1088 MANGES, JOHN W. - 137 Catskill Ln, Johnstown, 15904-7523 814-539-3332 MARSHALL, HOMER H. - 369 W Church Ave, Masontown, 15461-1651 -724 583-7073 MARSHALL, PATRICIA M. - 369 W Church Ave, Masontown, 15461-1651 -724 583-7073 MOSORJAK, GARY N. – 1337 Roxbury Avenue, Johnstown, 15905-1224 – 814-619-4238 MYERS, GUY L. - 1271 Killiwhat Street, Johnstown, PA 15902-1224 - 814-536-2404 PERUSO, RUSSELL J. – 151 Blackner Road, Johnstown, 15905 = 814-242-0549 RUMMEL, DALE E. - 6171 Greenville Pike, Grampian, 15666-1959 732-809-9013 (seasonal) RUPERT, JACK - 409 State St, Johnstown, 15905-2642 - 814 322-7786 New Day - 814 535-8202 SMITH, A. HARRISON -506 Sciandro Dr, Greensburg, 15601-724837-4491 STEIN, ROBERT R. - PO Box 375, Chalk Hill, 15421-0375 - 724 438-2226 SWICK, MICHAEL R. - 4127 Greenville Rd, Meyersdale 15552-8518 -814 634-8158 WALKER, JUDY M. -425 Morningside Ave, Jeannette 15644 - 724 522-5260 **WALKER, LARRY E. - 425 Morningside Ave, Jeannette 15644 - 724 522-5260** WESTLAKE, ELVA JEAN -436 Pony Farm Rd, Kittanning, 16201-4639-724 54824901 WILLOUGHBY, CAROLYN S.-207 Churchill St, Johnstown, 15904-814 266-9758 **YOST, ERIC W. – 1009 First Street, Windber, PA 15963 – 814-241-7753 YOUNG, FRANK P. – PO Box 251 Jerome, 15937 – 814-418-5930** 

#### **LICENSED**

HILER, GARY W. - 228 Baltzer Bridge Rd, Friedens, 15541-6320 - 814 267-6722 PISARSKI, STANLEY – 511 Thrasher Street, Johnstown, 15909 – 814-410-3685

#### **LAY SPEAKER**

RAMER, DONNA L. -102 Franklin Drive, Greensburg, 15601-1305-724 836-0594



# Blood Drive Walnut Grove Church of the Brethren

Fellowship Hall 1068 Bedford Street Johnstown

Monday, April 13 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Walnut Grove COB to schedule an appointment.



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#### 2020 PRAYER RETREAT

## Lord, Increase Our Faith!

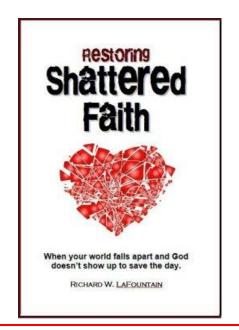
## Saturday, May 9, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm Camp Harmony

Sponsored by the District Spiritual Formation Team

Join us for a stirring message on faith, followed by practical teachings and resources for restoring joy and faith in your life or in the life of a loved one whose faith has been shattered.

Pastor Dick LaFountain will share his life story, the tragic death of his twelve year old daughter when she was hit by a speeding car, and his subsequent loss of faith in a God who hears, cares, and answers prayer. He will share his road to restoration through God's infinite mercy and grace, and the long road back being restored to "Believing God Again."

Resource Leader: Richard W. LaFountain, retired senior pastor of the Grove City Alliance Church in Grove City, PA. He has served God in many capacities over his 40+ years of ministry. He has been a church planter, missionary, pastor, strategist, conference speaker, college professor, evangelist, puppeteer, artist, and author. Dick's teaching and resources are also available online at <a href="https://www.PrayerToday.org">www.PrayerToday.org</a>.



## MORNING SESSIONS Restoring Shattered Faith

- Believing God Again "Lord, help my unbelief"
- Praying God's Promises They are 'yes' and 'amen' forever
- Praying God's Names Who He is never changes

## AFTERNOON SESSIONS Renewing Your Prayer Life

- Your Private Prayer Room
- A Personal Prayer Retreat Strategy
  - A Concert of Prayer

This retreat is open to anyone. Please register by Friday, May 1.

The first 40 registrants will receive a free copy of Pastor Dick's book, Restoring Shattered Faith.

Cost is \$15.00 per person (lunch included) – 0.5 CEU credit is offered

O Please check if you are requesting CEU credit.

Make checks payable to Western PA District COB and mail to: 115 Spring Road, Hollsopple, PA 15935



Susquehanna Valley
Ministry Center

presents...

# Neurocognitive Disorders: Supporting Parishioners through the Journey

Monday, May 11, 2020, Cross Keys Village, New Oxford, PA 9 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.)

Presenters: Jennifer Holcomb, M.S., NHA, CDP, CDCM, CADDCT, CDSGF

Director of Memory Support, Cross Keys Village

Kimberly Korge, BSEd., CDP, CDSGF

Memory Care Coach

#### **Course Objectives:**

- Recognize the differences and similarities of the top four neurocognitive disorders
- Discuss tips to manage conversations with parishioners impacted by a neurocognitive disorder
- Describe the significance of trauma and how it may be present in those living with a neurocognitive disorder
- Identify strategies to support parishioners impacted by trauma

Registration due b	y April 27, 2020: 	<ul><li>\$60.00 (includes light breakfast, lunch a</li><li>\$50.00 (includes light breakfast, lunch, a</li></ul>	
Please make check	s payable to "SVMC" and Susquehanna Valley Mini	<b>EGISTRATION FORM</b> mail completed registration form and payment for "Neuro istry Center, One Alpha Drive, Elizabethtown, PA 17022. s at: 717-361-1450 or <a href="mailto:symmolecule">symmolecule</a> . Thank you!!	cognitive Disorders" to:
Name (please print cle	early)		
Address			_
Congregation		District	
Email		Phone	
Dietary Restrictions _			
Amount Enclosed	\$60 for 0.5 CEUs \$50 for NO CEUs	5	
Where did you hear a	bout this event?		

#### PRE-K HALF DAY CAMPS, AGES 3-5

Our youngest campers can enjoy the fun of Camp in a half-day suited just for them. Enjoy crafts, Bible lessons, nature, games and swimming in small parts preparing them for Day Camp. Pre-K camp is for ages 3-5 and begins at 9 am and runs until 12 pm Monday through Friday.

Pre-K Camp, June 29 - July 3, **theme coming soon** Pre-K Camp, July 13-17, **theme coming soon** 

ONLY \$40 PER CAMPER PER WEEK! Price includes daily snack

#### DAY CAMPS, GRADES K-5

Fill each day with new and exciting adventures at Camp then head home each evening. Crafts, nature, swimming and games are some of the highlights of this fun experience. We'll have worship, learn about the Bible and make new friends as you get to know Camp Harmony. Each week will have activities, games and Bible lessons based on the theme. Bring a friend and explore the outdoors!

Day camp is for grades K-5 and begins at 8:30 am and runs until 4:30 pm Monday through Friday on the dates listed below.

Day Camp, June 22-26, **theme coming soon**Day Camp, July 6-10, **theme coming soon**Day Camp, July 20-24, **theme coming soon** 

ONLY \$85 PER CAMPER PER WEEK!

#### FAMILY CAMP JULY 31 - AUGUST 2

Bring the whole family and spend a great weekend together in nature. Swim, play, craft and worship with other families as we offer activities for all ages and learn more about the Bible together. It is a great getaway for every kind of family.

ONLY \$85 PER PERSON!
(AGE 3 & UNDER FREE)

#### LEADERS IN TRAINING EXPERIENCE GRADES 8-12, JUNE 14-19

The Leaders in Training Experience is a leadership camp which will challenge you to develop leadership skills that will benefit you throughout your life. You will step into the role of a servant-leader as you seek the characteristics of Biblical leaders; learn through study, discussion & hands-on activities; and begin to lead on your own in the camp setting. Taking part in a portion of counselor training will allow you to learn with our summer staff and join with them to create an engaging camp community and culture. We'll also do all the fun Camp activities you know and love along with the great learning experiences this camp provides. You may have the opportunity to return and serve as a volunteer with our summer program and put your new skills into practice. After the \$50 registraion fee, this program will generously be funded by churches in the Western PA District. ONLY \$330 PER CAMPER PER WEEK!

#### PERFORMING ARTS CAMP GRADES 6-12, JUNE 27 - JULY 4

Join us for "Into the Woods" the musical in our only 8 day camp! This is the perfect opportunity to keep your creative talents fresh over the summer. Not only are we seeking actors but set artists and sound technicians as well. There is plenty to experience for any level of talent. The hard work will pay off with two great performances at the end of the week! ONLY \$330 PER CAMPER PER WEEK!

## TEEN OVERNIGHT CAMP - GRADES 7-12, JUNE 28 - JULY 3 JUNIOR OVERNIGHT CAMP - GRADES 2-6, JULY 5-10

At our classic overnight camps, campers will explore all the the great activities that camp has to offer. The morning will consist of electives such as adventure activities, craft, swimming, sports and games, hiking and much more. Afternoon and evening group activities and free time will round out the day as we spend time learning and exploring together. As always, worship and Bible lessons will be an important part of the weeks. Each week campers will be split into age appropriate cabins and groups and we get outside and discover more about ourselves, God and nature! ONLY \$330 PER CAMPER PER WEEK!

#### JUNIOR WILDERNESS GRADES 2-6, JULY 12-17

Wilderness camp is designed to teach campers about living outdoors in God's beautiful creation. We'll spend our days learning and developing skills such as campfire and shelter building while learning how to survive in the wilderness. Campers will learn about outdoor cooking, fishing and hiking. We'll spend our nights enjoying nature as we sleep in rustic cabins, watch the stars around a campfire and make new friendships. ONLY \$330 PER CAMPER PER WEEK!

#### TEEN ADVENTURE GRADES 7-12, JULY 19-24

Travel together to North Carolina and enjoy beautiful scenery and exciting adventure in rivers, on mountaintops and in fellowship around the campfire. Explore natural wonders on this expedition that joins with other Church of the Brethren camps to have fun and enjoy creation. **ONLY \$330 PER CAMPER PER WEEK!** 





**Terms & Conditions:** 

- -only one offer per camper (sibling and bring a friend discounts cannot be combined)
- -sibling discount is for any summer camp program except for Family Camp -bring a friend - new camper must have never attended any Camp Harmony summer camp program
- -bring a friend both campers must be registered for the same week and list each other on their respective registration forms







# CAMP HARMONY: SKATES!

Bring your friends, family, church and youth group!

# Saturday, May 16

11 - 1:30 @ Latrobe Skating Center 🖍

# FREE Admission

Bring your own skates or pay only \$2.50 for skate rental (inline skate styles available)

## All ages welcome!

(this is not a drop-off event, children must be supervised)



www.campharmony.org





#### SUMMARY OF REPORTS RECEIVED

Below is a summary of **Forms A & B** and **Statistical Information** that the denomination has sent to the District Office, as well as the **Additional Officers Form** that was sent out from the District Office. The denomination is still working on new ways to report church information but in the meantime, please complete and send in any forms you receive from Elgin. Once they receive your forms, the process them and send a copy to the District Office. Thank you for all your help!

Church	Form A	Form B	2018 Statistical Info.	Additional Officers
Arbutus	Х	Х	Х	
Beachdale	Х	Х	Х	
Bear Run				
Berkey	Х			
Bethel	Х	Х	Х	Х
Brothersvalley	Х	Х	Х	Х
Canaan	Х	Х	Х	
Center				
Center Hill				
Conemaugh	Х	Х	Х	
Connellsville	Х	Х		
County Line				Х
Elbethel	Х	Х		
Erie Community United				
Fairchance	Х	Х		
Fair View	Х	Х		Х
Farmington Bethel				
Geiger	Х	Х		Х
Good Samaritan	Х	Х		
Greensburg	Х	Х		
Greenville	Х	Х	Х	Х
Hooversville				
Hostetler	Х	Х		Х
Hyndman				
Indiana				
Joyful				
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Locust Grove	х	х	Х	
Maple Glen				
Maple Grove				
Maple Spring	х	Х		
Meyersdale	Х	Х		
Middlecreek				
Monroeville	х	Х	Х	
Montgomery	Х	Х	Х	Х

Church	Form A	Form B	2018 Statistical Info.	Additional Officers
Morrellville				
Mount Joy	х	Х	Х	
Mount Pleasant				
Moxham	х	Х		Х
Nanty Glo				
Natrona Heights				
Penn Run				Х
Pike Run				
Pleasant Hill				
Plumcreek	х	х	Х	
Purchase Line				
Rayman				
Robinson	х	Х	Х	
Roxbury	х	Х	Х	
Rummel	х	Х	Х	
Salisbury	х	Х	Х	
Scalp Level				
Shade Creek/Ridge	х	Х	Х	Х
Sipesville	х	Х		
Somerset				Х
Ten Mile				
Tire Hill				
Union Chapel				
Uniontown				Х
Walnut Grove				
Way of Hope				
Westmont				
Windber	Х	Х		
Wooddale				

If your congregation, committee, or group would like to have information listed on the District Calendar, please send it in to the District Office by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. Thanks!

#### **JANUARY 2020**

1	- HAPPY NEW	YEAR!
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- 6 Epiphany
- 18 25 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- 24 26 Junior Winter Camp (Grades 2 6), Camp Harmony
- Teen Winter Camp (Grades 7 -12) begins, Camp Harmony

#### **FEBRUARY 2020**

2	- Teen Winter Camp (Grades 7 – 12) ends, Camp Harmony
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- 6 Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, District Office
- 8 SVMC Class, 9:00 am, District Office
- 9 Johnstown Area Sub-District Prayer Gathering, 3:00 pm, Pleasant Hill COB
- District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, Tire Hill COB
- District Women's Ministries meeting, 1:00 pm, District Office
- Indoor Open Climb, 6:00 pm, Camp Harmony
- SVMC Class, 9:00 am, District Office
- 26 ASH WEDNESDAY
- Indoor Open Climb, 6:00 pm Camp Harmony

#### **MARCH 2020**

- 1 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
- 6 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
- 8 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS (Turn clocks AHEAD one hour)
- 8 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
- Indoor Open Climb, 6:00 pm, Camp Harmony
- 13 14 Scrapbook Retreat, Camp Harmony
- Teaching Seminar, 9:00 am 3:00 pm, Plumcreek COB
- SVMC Class, 9:00 am, District Office
- 15 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

#### MARCH 2020 - continued 16 - District Women's Ministries meeting, 1:00 pm, District Office 22 - ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING 22 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 29 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT **APRIL 2020** 5 - PALM SUNDAY 9 - MAUNDY THURSDAY 10 - GOOD FRIDAY 12 - ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! 13 - Financial Resource Team (District Auction), 6:30 pm, District Office 18 - SVMC Class, 9:00 am, District Office - Tithing Sunday 19 25 - Craft and Flea Market Bazaar, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Camp Harmony **MAY 2020** 2 - SVMC Class, 9:00 am, District Office 3 - NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY 7 - NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER 7 - Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, District Office 9 - Prayer Retreat, Camp Harmony 10 - HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! 16 - District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, Uniontown COB - SVMC Class, 9:00 am, District Office 16 - District Women's Ministries meeting, 1:00 pm, District Office 18 21 - ASCENSION DAY 25 - MEMORIAL DAY

- All You Can Eat Pasta Dinner, 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm, Camp Harmony

- HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHURCH! (Pentecost Sunday)

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#### **JUNE 2020** 7 - Annual Conference Briefing, 3:00 pm, TBA 20 - DWM Camp Day 21 - HAPPY FATHER'S DAY! **JULY 2020** 1 - 5 - ANNUAL CONFERENCE, Grand Rapids, MI 4 - INDEPENDENCE DAY - Core Leadership Team 6:00 pm, (District Conference Business) 16 20 - District Women's Ministries meeting, 1:00 pm, District Office 25 - District Leadership Team, 9 am, Windber COB (District Conference **Business**) **AUGUST 2020** - SVMC Class, 9:00 am, District Office 15 15 - DWM Women's Tea, Meyersdale COB 16 - Stewardship Sunday 29 - SVMC Class, 9:00 am, District Office SEPTEMBER 2020

3	- Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, District Office
4 – 7	- Gospel Festival, Camp Harmony
7	- LABOR DAY
12	- District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA
19	- SVMC Class, 9:00 am, District Office
21	- District Women's Ministries meeting, 1:00 pm, District Office
21	- DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE
26 - 27	- Harmony Fest, Camp Harmony

#### **OCTOBER 2020**

4	- WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
8	- DWM, Women's Brunch, TBA
17	- District Conference, 9:00 am, Camp Harmony

#### **NOVEMBER 2020**

1	<ul> <li>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS (Turn clocks BACK one hour)</li> </ul>
5	- Core Leadership Team, 6:00 p.m., District Office
7	- FIFTEENTH ANNUAL DISTRICT AUCTION, 9:00 am, Camp Harmony
14	- District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA
16	- District Women's Ministries meeting, 11:00 am, District Office
26	- HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!
29	- FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### **DECEMBER 2020**

6	- SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
12	- CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY – Camp Harmony
13	- THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
20	- FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
24	- Christmas Eve
25	- MERRY CHIRSTMAS!!
31	- NEW YEAR'S EVE